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# **FUGITIVE CHARGED FOR MISSING TRIAL DATE**

**PHOENIX, ARIZONA** -- The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona announced that on March 18, 2003, a federal grand jury at Phoenix, Arizona, returned a one count indictment against DONALD ROSS LUTTRELL, DOB 11/24/78, formerly of Avondale, Arizona.

The indictment alleges that LUTTRELL failed to appear for his trial date set March 4, 2003, before U.S. District Judge Frederick J. Martone. LUTTRELL had been released on his own recognizance on December 19, 2002.

The federal indictment charges LUTTRELL with violating Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3146.

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A conviction for Failure to Appear carries a maximum penalty of 5 year(s), a \$250,000 fine or both, and any term of imprisonment for this violation must run consecutive to the penalty for the underlying charges.

An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and raises no inference of guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until competent evidence is presented to a jury that establishes guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted the U. S. Postal Inspectors and the United States Marshal's Service.

The prosecution is being handled by Daniel R. Drake, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

CASE NUMBER: CR-03-272-PHX  
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